

BANDITS GET \$1,500 IN LODGE HOLDUP, LOOT CIGAR STORE

Detectives Scour City for Three Armed Men Who Raided Odd Fellows' Hall.

The Sharpshooter Squad and many foot detectives searched the haunts of criminals during the early hours today for three armed, unmasked bandits who robbed three officers of the Sons of Italy, on the sixth floor of Odd Fellows' Hall, No. 69 St. Mark's Place, about 9 o'clock last night, and got away with \$1,500 in money and jewelry and a revolver one of the victims had a permit to carry, but not time to use.

The visit of the bandits was witnessed, as half an hour later, when members assembled for the meeting, they would have had fifty or seventy-five victims, many of them wealthy Italians. One of the pieces of jewelry taken was a diamond ring valued at \$700.

About 12:30 o'clock, Rosarero Casero of P. A. 16 St. Mark's Place, President of the society, and Frank Casati of No. 117 South Fourth Street, Brooklyn, and Fortunato Pallizi were going over the minutes of a previous meeting.

Suddenly the door was thrust open and the three officials looked up from their work and faced the bandits. "Stick up your hands!" was the command, given in Italian.

Then, according to the officials, one of them tried to draw a revolver, but as too slow. "Hand that thing over!" was the next command.

The bandits, prodding the officials with their automatics, forced them into a corner of the room and made them hand over their money and jewelry.

When everything of value had been taken, one of the bandits, who appeared to be the leader, said: "Now, men move by any of you and you'll be dead men."

The three walked leisurely from the room, closed the door and looked it. The officials forced the lock and arrived at the Fifth Street Police Station, but no trace of the robbers was found.

Two bandits, without displaying guns, held up the clerk in a United Cigar Store in the Capitol Theatre Building, Broadway and 61st Street, shortly before 11 o'clock last night.

took \$200 from a cash register and escaped.

Several traffic policemen were in the vicinity, supervising the working of the new license traffic rule and two were within fifty feet of the store while the robbery was being committed.

The name of the clerk was kept secret. Thomas McAvoy, a customer, was not permitted to leave the store until the robbers had finished their work.

Israel Morgan, fifty-six years old, of No. 1488 Southern Boulevard, the Bronx, will be arraigned to-day on a variety of charges. The police say that when his wife Anna locked him out last night because he had threatened to kill her, he climbed a fire escape to a window of their apartment and fired a shot at her and their two children through the window.

Detectives Wubbenhurst and Hed-doney heard the shot and fired several shots at Morgan as they chased him down Southern Boulevard. After going a block or two, according to the detectives, Morgan got behind an "L" pillar and fired a shot at them. He was disarmed before he could shoot again.

Martin J. Mahoney, No. 175 Vernon Avenue, Long Island City, was held in \$10,000 bail for the Grand Jury to-day by Magistrate Doyle on a charge of having a revolver without a permit.

John Sheridan, who gave his address as No. 271 East 57th Street, was held in \$2,000 bail in Long Island City Police Court on a charge of the larceny of rags, rings and clothing from the rooming house of Mrs. Fowler, No. 62 Crescent Street, Long Island City, where he had been living.

ROBBERS IN UNIFORM STAB MAN TO DEATH

All Soldiers Arrested in Round-Up for Waiter's Slayings.

CAMDEN, N. J., Jan. 6.—George Spolus, forty-two years old, of Third and Penn Streets, died early to-day from stab wounds received when he was held up and robbed by two men in the United States Army uniform late last night.

Spolus was a waiter in a restaurant and was on the way home when attacked. He staggered back into the restaurant a few minutes later, saying two soldiers had held him up with a gun, robbed him and stabbed him. He fell to the floor unconscious, and died shortly afterward at the Cooper Hospital.

Every soldier on the street during the night was taken into custody. Twenty-five were examined at Police Headquarters and released upon establishing alibis. The robbers secured a watch and some small change.

Negro Held in Jersey City Robbery. Charged with being concerned in a hold-up on Dec. 6, in which Charles Stone, of No. 916 West Side Avenue, Jersey City, was robbed by two negroes after being beaten over the head with a revolver butt, Joshua Carter, colored, of No. 149 Brown Street, Newark, was held in

WHITMAN CLEARS FOR QUICK ACTION

Devotes To-Day to Adjusting Legal Affairs So He May Take-Up Grand Jury Report.

Former Governor Charles S. Whitman devoted to-day to clearing up the affairs of his law office so that he may give uninterrupted attention in the immediate future to supervising the investigation of the January Additional Grand Jury into reports of corruption and waste in the administration of the police and other departments of the city.

Mr. Whitman said he did not expect to advise with District Attorney Swann, at whose invitation he has undertaken the work, before to-morrow and that he would not examine Senator Robinson and Assemblyman Spielberg, under subpoena, to substantiate the accusations made in their Albany proclamation Monday, until later.

The Grand Jury which will act with Mr. Whitman is made up as follows: Frederick M. Meserve, No. 79 Leonard Street; Sigmond Basse, No. 200 Fifth Avenue; Jacques Krakauer, No. 540 Fifth Avenue; Cyrus L. Sulzberger, No. 384 Fourth Avenue; Emanuel Solomon, secretary, No. 31 Union Square; William S. Coffin, foreman, No. 575 Fifth Avenue; Frederick S. Blackall, No. 133 Broadway; Andrew C. Imbrie, No. 320 Broadway; Joseph A. Daubel, No. 28 Nassau Street; Samuel A. Clark, No. 108 East 29th Street; Ten Brook Noran, No. 409 Fifth Avenue; Frank L. Montague, No. 21 Park Row; John Mondorf, No. 138 East 52d Street; Oscar Hahne, Hotel Theresa; Solomon Wertheim, No. 101 Gold Street; Albert Weiler, No. 1009 Park Avenue; W. Cogswood Rogers, No. 42 East 124th Street; Joseph Sichelmer, No. 881 Broadway; Simon H. Bodenheim, Flatiron Building; Joseph Grashelm, No. 546 West 44th Street; Harry L. Eberie, No. 22 Desbrosses Street; Henry Puld, No. 1140 Broadway; Robert Endicott, No. 109 East 38th Street.

Gov. Miller and Mayor Hylan are expected to attend the annual functions of the Unformed Firemen's Association and the Patrolmen Benevolent Association, each of which will give two entertainments. The firemen's will be held at Arcadia Hall, Brooklyn, on Jan. 18, and at the Central Opera House in East 57th Street on Jan. 20. The patrolmen will celebrate at Arcadia Hall, Brooklyn, on Feb. 2, and at Hunt's Point Palace, the Bronx, on Feb. 3. All are eight affairs. A joint committee of the two organizations will conduct the functions.

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POLICEMAN FELLED, PRISONER ESCAPES

"Pal" of Simpson Said to Have Used Rubber Hose Loaded With Lead.

Policeman Michael McCarthy, thirty-one, of the Poplar Street Station, Brooklyn, arrested "Nigger Beans" Simpson, thirty-two, of No. 9 State Street, early to-day on a charge of disorderly conduct. The prisoner fought every few yards, and when he and McCarthy reached Johnson and Hicks Streets some one struck the policeman from behind and knocked him senseless. When McCarthy recovered his prisoner had gone.

The police say one of Simpson's friends had trailed along after his arrest and struck the policeman down with a piece of hose, evidently loaded with lead. They know the man's name. McCarthy reported the assault as soon as he was able to get up and the block was surrounded by policemen and detectives, but without success.

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PENROSE WILL PUSH "POP-GUN" TARIFF

Senator Announces He Will Support Emergency Revenue Measure.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—Senator Penrose, Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, announced to-day he would support the House Emergency Tariff Bill, although he hoped for certain modifications of the rates.

The Senator's announcement was made at the conclusion of the first open hearing on the measure by his committee. In a formal statement he said he desired to correct "a misunderstanding which seemed to have got abroad concerning the status of the so-called emergency tariff." He denied that there was any difference of opinion among Republicans upon this measure.

KING ADDRESSES GREEK ASSEMBLY

Urges Changes in Constitution—Diplomats of Allies Not Present.

ATHENS, Jan. 6.—Changes in the Greek Constitution with a view to its greater popularization were urged by King Constantine in his message read to the new Assembly at the brilliant ceremonial of its initial meeting to-day.

This recommendation was, in fact, the keynote of the message, which was a brief one of only four hundred words, read by the King in person to the legislative body. Queen Sophie stood at his side as he delivered the message.

None of the Allied diplomatic representatives was present, and the American Minister did not appear. Their places were taken by the foreign correspondents. Eight of the Venizelist representatives from Thessaly were present, ninety of them absenting themselves because of the presence of the King.

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